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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Notes for Mr. Bannerman

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2. Mr. Helms announced that Bob Komer is to be the "temporary and invisible" replacement for McGeorge Bundy. By "invisible" it appears that he will not become widely known as the President's Foreign Affairs Staff Officer.

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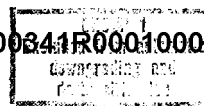
4. [REDACTED] went in to brief the DCI on the cable numbering system last night and the DCI preempted the conversation by asking for the Task Force report. Jack didn't know anything about a Task Force and a call to Colonel White convinced the Director that he had never asked for a Task Force study. In any case, there is now one. The Office of Communications will chair it and each Directorate will be asked to appoint one or more members. [REDACTED] is hopeful that something useful will come out of this, as for example, a clear indication of when a cable is originated. This is pretty fuzzy under our present system.

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5. [REDACTED] came in and had nothing but friendly words to say about support.

6. [REDACTED] Deputy Chief of Africa Division, came in. He is preparing a report to the Personnel Management Committee of the Clandestine Services on medical support overseas. I think the DD/S has heard about this

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from OMS. The draft paper [REDACTED] had stated that four slots would be transferred from the DD/P to the DD/S to accommodate the present [REDACTED]

and went on to say that this would be good so long as the program lasted. I objected to that. It also stated that DD/S would put up two additional slots if OMS was unable to recruit [REDACTED]. I told him I would look into this.

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[REDACTED] is preparing comments to [REDACTED] on the paper as drafted.

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Basically, the idea is a good one since it recognizes the regional characteristics of medical services and I believe we should move in this direction. This raises a question about [REDACTED] Why shouldn't they be treated the same way? Here again, I am for it.

7. Col. White wants to take a pretty firm position on retention of our medium and heavy sedans for as long as they are economically repairable and useful. I told him that Mr. Bannerman had decided to replace his Mercury and that Jack Smith also wanted to replace his sedan. George Meloon has some 8 cylinder Plymouths and I asked him to set two of these aside for these replacements. He will also give me the mileage and justification on the remaining vehicles. In this connection, Col. White also mentioned that the Director would like to replace his Cadillac. This presents a whole new set of problems.

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